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Twelfth Meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science. Held at Manchester, June, 1842.

THE Twelfth Meeting of the British Association for the Advancement of Science, was held at Manchester during the week commencing on Wednesday the 22nd, and terminating on Wednesday the 29th day of June.

The following is a list of the Officers and Committee of the Statistical Section :—

President.—G. W. Wood, Esq., M.P.

Vice-Presidents.—Lieut.-Colonel Sykes, F.R.S., &c.; H. Hallam, Esq., F.R.S., &c.; Sir C. Lemon, Bart, F.R.S., &c.; G. R. Porter, Esq., F.R.S., &c.

Secretaries.—Rev. R. Luney, M.A.; G. W. Ormerod, Esq.; W. C. Taylor, Esq., LL.D.

Committee.—Marchese Torrigiani; Dr. Alison; His Excellency Edward Everett; J. Robertson, Esq.; W. Felkin, Esq.; W. Langton, Esq.; P. M. James, Esq.; J. Heywood, Esq.; R. H. Greg, Esq.; G. Webb Hall, Esq.; S. Turner, Esq.; J. N. Walker, Esq.; H. J. Porter, Esq.; J. Shuttleworth, Esq.; H. Ashworth, Esq.; E. Ashworth, Esq.; A. Watt, Esq.; H. Woolcombe, Esq.; D. Noble, Esq.

The following papers were read before the Section :—

Thursday, 23rd June.

On the Advantages arising from Spade Husbandry and Agricultural Education. By Mrs. Davies Gilbert. (See Vol. V. p. 289.)

On the Influence of the Factory System in the development of Pulmonary Consumption. By D. Noble, Esq. (See Vol. V. p. 274.)

Friday, 24th June.

On the Criminal Statistics of Lancashire. By Mr. Hopkins. (See Vol. V. p. 263.)

On the Registers of the Collegiate Church of Manchester. By the Rev. R. Parkinson, B.D. (See Vol. V. p. 256.)

On Loan Funds in Ireland. By H. J. Porter, Esq. (See Vol. V. p. 282.)

Saturday, 25th June.

On the Vital Statistics of the Spinners and Piecers employed in the Fine Cotton Mills of Manchester. By John Shuttleworth, Esq. (See Vol. V. p. 268.)

On the Criminal Statistics of Manchester. By Sir Charles Shaw. (See Vol. V. p. 266.)

On the Comparative Statistics of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge in the 16th, 17th, and 19th Centuries. By James Heywood, Esq., F.R.S. (See Vol. V. p. 235.)

Contributions to Academic Statistics, continued from 1839. By the Rev. Professor Powell, M.A., F.R.S. (See Vol. V. p. 235.)

On the Monts de Piété in Ireland. By H. J. Porter, Esq.

Monday, 27th June.

On the Increase of Property in South Lancashire since the Revolution. By H. Ashworth, Esq. (See Vol. V. p. 245.)

On the Statistics of French Commerce in 1840. By the Rev. H. L. Jones, M.A. (Presented in a printed form.)

On Vital Statistics, with remarks on the influence which the Atmosphere exerts over the rate of Mortality. By Dr. Ashton.

On the Statistics of Plymouth. By H. Woolcombe, Esq.

On the Industrial and Training School about to be erected in the neighbourhood of Manchester. By Ner Gardner, Esq. (See Vol. V. p. 280.)

Tuesday, 28th June.

Report of a Committee, consisting of Lieut.-Col. Sykes; Viscount Sandon, M.P.; G. R. Porter, Esq.; J. Heywood, Esq.; Dr. W. P. Alison; Dr. R. Cowan; E. Chadwick, Esq.; and J. Colquhoun, Esq. (under whose superintendence it has been prepared by Mr. Alexander Watt) on the Vital Statistics of five Large Towns in Scotland. (To be printed with the Transactions of the Association.)

On the differences of the Quality of the Milk of Cows for the different purposes of Milk and Cheese, numerically expressed. By G. Webb Hall, Esq.

On the Destitution and Mortality of some of the great Towns of Scotland. By Dr. W. P. Alison. (See Vol. V. p. 289.)

Report of the Statistical Society of Manchester, on the Vital Statistics of Manchester. (Presented in a printed form.)

It was resolved by the Council of the Association, on the recommendation of the Section,—

That Col. Sykes, Viscount Sandon, Mr. G. R. Porter, Mr. J. Heywood, Dr. W. P. Alison, Mr. E. Chadwick, and Mr. G. W. Wood, be a Committee for continuing the Reports on Vital Statistics, with the sum of 150*l.* at their disposal for the purpose.

The next meeting of the Association will be held at Cork.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE STATISTICAL SOCIETY.

First Ordinary Meeting, Monday 21st November, 1842.

The following gentlemen were proposed as candidates for admission into the Society:—

John Hutchinson, Esq.
W. M. Bush, Esq. M.D.
G. S. Brent, Esq.
Benjamin Phillips, Esq.
Somerville Scott Alison, Esq. M.D.

John H. Elliott, Esq.
William D. Oswald, Esq.
George Moffatt, Esq.
Major Graham.

The following gentlemen were elected:—

Jenkins Jones, Esq.
John Noble, Esq.
George Carr Glyn, Esq.

Thomas Took jun. Esq.
Joseph Hansom, Esq.

A paper was read “On the Moral and Physical Condition of the Working Classes in the Inner Ward of St. George’s Parish, Hanover Square, by C. R. Weld, Esq.” (see p. 17.)

Second Ordinary Meeting, Monday, December 19th, 1842.

The following gentlemen were proposed as candidates for admission into the Society:—

John Tottie, Esq.

Charles Gatliff, Esq.

The following gentlemen were elected:—

John Hutchinson, Esq.
W. M. Bush, Esq. M.D.
G. S. Brent, Esq.
Benjamin Phillips, Esq.
Somerville Scott Alison, Esq. M.D.

John H. Elliott, Esq.
William D. Oswald, Esq.
George Moffatt, Esq.
Major Graham.

A paper was read by G. R. Porter, Esq., entitled “An Examination of some Facts obtained at the recent Enumeration of the Inhabitants of Great Britain,” (see p. 1.)

Third Ordinary Meeting, Monday, January 16th, 1843.

The following gentlemen were proposed as candidates for admission into the Society:—

Charles Lyall, Esq.
Benjamin Smith, Esq.

Frederick Lack, Esq.

The following gentlemen were elected:—

Charles Gatliff, Esq.

John Tottie, Esq.

The Report of the Education Committee of the Statistical Society of London, on the Borough of Finsbury, was read by the Rev. E. W. Edgell, (see p. 28.)